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# **News Release**

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## **Citizen Police Academy Graduation**

(April 24) The Kerrville Police Department honored the 10th Citizen Police Academy graduating class with a special ceremony on Tuesday, April 24th at 6 p.m. at Rails - A Café at the Depot restaurant. The ceremony honored 24 community members who participated in the program.

The Citizen Police Academy is designed to give the public a working knowledge of the Kerrville Police Department through comprehensive classroom instruction, demonstration, tours, and hands-on activities.

Program Coordinators, Officer Paul Gonzales and Sgt. Mary Krebs, Chief John M. Young Jr., Captains David Knight and Jeffrey Wendling, Lieutenants Curtis Thomason and Phil Engstrom congratulated the graduates, their friends and family. Each graduate received a certificate of completion along with a class photograph.

"Congratulations, I thank each of you for taking the time to participate in the Citizen Police Academy and for becoming a vital part of the police department and community!" said Police Chief John M. Young Jr., as he addressed the graduating class.

"We have spent twelve weeks covering aspects of police work we didn't even know existed. We admire the high standards set by Chief Young, and through his officers, we see the respect in which they hold the community they serve. We are proud to become graduates of the Citizen Police Academy and we want to help; we pledge our support as community ambassadors. Most of us will go on to become members of the Alumni which has become such an integral part of this community. I highly recommend this class to all citizens of Kerrville." said Citizen Academy graduate and Class President Sarah Childress.

The next Citizen Police Academy starts August 2012, but space is limited and fills up quickly. Find out more about the academy and how to sign up at: [www.kerrvilletx.gov/police](http://www.kerrvilletx.gov/police)



**Front Row:** Mary Cade, Martha Humphrey, Beverly Bailey, Sarah Childress (Class President), Gloria Valentine, Sylvia Kessick, Deborah Mills.

**Second Row:** Sgt. Mary Krebs, Raymond Thornton, Alma Sparks, Mary Hefley, Linda Elkins, Connie Patton, Bonnie Craft, Deborah Simpson, Dan Simpson, Edward Aldous, Officer Paul Gonzales.

**Third Row:** Lori Moore, Edward Moore, Kenneth Sealey, Amy White, Michael Anderson, Deborah Westall, Lynda Bewley, Paul Schoenfeld.